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SUBJ: TRANSPORTATION AGREEMENT: FIRST JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING

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1. THERE FOLLOWS TEXT OF RECORD OF FIRST MEETING OF JOINT COMMITTEE ON COOPERATION IN FIELD OF TRANSPORTATION THAT WAS SIGNED JANUARY 16, 1974, BY ASSISTANT SECRETARY BINDER AND G.V. ALEKSENKO.

2. BEGIN TEXT:

RECORD
OF THE FIRST MEEING
OF THE US-USSR JOINT COMMITTEE
ON COOPERATION IN THE FIELD
OF TRANSPORTATION

THE FIRST MEETING OF THE US-USSR JOINT COMMITTEE ON COOPERATION IN THE FIELD ON TRANSPORTATION, ESTABLISHED ON ACCORDANCE WITH THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATE OF AMERICAN AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS ON COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF TRANSPORTATION OF JUNE 19, 1973 WAS UNCLASSIFIED

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HELD IN MOSCOW JANUARY 14-16, 1974. THE U.S. DELEGATION WAS HEADED

BY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR POLICY, PLANS AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS, R.H. BINDER, THE USSR DELEGATION WAS HEADED BY DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF THE STATE COMMITTEE FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS OF THE USSR G.V. ALEKSENKO. A LIST OF THE MEMBERS OF BOTH DELEGATIONS WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE WORK OF THE SESSION IS ATTACHED (APPENDIX 1).

THE JOINT COMMITTEE ACCEPTED THE AGENDA OF THE MEETING (APPENDIX 2).

THE JOINT COMMITTEE APPROVED THE REGULATIONS OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE (APPENDIX 3).

THE JOINT COMMITTEE HEARD REPORTS ON THE STATE OF SCIENTIFIC-TECHNICAL COOPERATION IN THE AREAS OF MARINE, AIR, RAILROAD, AND AUTOMOBILE TRANSPORTATION, AND ON TRANSPORT CONSTRUCTION AND NOTED WITH SATISFACTION THE PROGRESS ACHIEVED IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF COOPERATION BETWEEN THE USA AND THE USSR AND A RESULT OF THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS ON COOPERATION IN VARIOUS FIELDS OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY THAT WERE SIGNED IN 1972 AND 1973.

AS WITH THE OTHER AGREEMENTS, THE AGREEMENT ON COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF TRANSPORTATION OF JUNE 19, 1973, OPENS US WIDER OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF CONTACTS AND MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL COOPERATION BETWEEN INSTITUTIONS, ORGANIZATIONS AND FIRMS, AND ALSO BETWEEN INDIVIDUAL SCIENTISTS AND SPECIALISTS OF BOTH COUNTRIES.

THE JOINT COMMITTEE REAFFIRMED THAT ONE OF ITS PRIMARY TASKS IS THE CREATION OF NEW OPPORTUNITIES FOR SCIENTISTS AND SPECIALISTS OF BOTH COUNTRIES TO COMBINE THEIR EFFORTS IN WORKING ON IMPORTANT PROBLEMS, THE RESOLUTION OF WHICH WILL FACILITATE PROGRESS IN THE FIELD OF TRANSPORTATION. WITH THIS IN MIND, BOTH SIDES WILL DEVELOP AND CARRY OUT COOPERATION ON THE BASIS OF MUTUAL BENEFIT, EQUALITY, AND RECIPROCITY.

THE JOINT COMMITTEE REVIEWED AND APPROVED THE REPORTS OF THE MEETINGS OF THE JOINT WORKING GROUPS. IT WAS DECIDED THAT SPECIFIC COOPERATIVE PROJECTS RECOMMENDED IN THESE REPORTS WILL BE IMPLEMENTED ON A PRIORITY BASIS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AGREED SCHEDULES IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS:

IN THE FIELD OF MARINE TRANSPORT

1. ORGANIZATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF JOINT REQUIREMENTS FOR SAFETY OF LIFE AT SEA.

2. EXCHANGE OF TECHNICAL INFORMATION ON ICE-TRANSITING VESSELS.

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3. ORGANIZATION AND TECHNOLOGY OF OCEAN COMMERCE AND CARGO HANDLING IN OCEAN PORTS.

4. COMMERCIAL SHIP EQUIPMENT, CREW TRAINING, HUMAN FACTORS.

5. JOINT STUDIES OF OCEAN-WAVE SPECTRA AND OF LOADS IN SHIPS BODY ELEMENTS.

IT WAS DECIDED TO ESTABLISH A JOINT WORKING GROUP IN THE FIELD.

THE RESPONSIBLE ORGANIZATIONS WILL BE THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE (USA) AND THE MINISTRY OF THE MERCHANT MARINES (USSR).

IN THE FIELD OF CIVIL AVIATION

1. AIRWORTHINESS STANDARDS AND CERTIFICATION PROCEDURES.
2. AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL.
3. NON-VISUAL APPROACH LANDING SYSTEMS.
4. METHODS AND MEANS OF ACCIDENT/INCIDENT INVESTIGATION AND ANALYSIS.
5. TRAINING OF SPECIALISTS IN CIVIL AVIATION.
6. USE OF AVIATION IN AGRICULTURE, CONSTRUCTION AND OTHER COMMERCIAL APPLICATIONS.
7. SECURITY OF PASSENGERS, AIRCRAFT AND CARGO.

IT WAS DECIDED TO ESTABLISH A JOINT WORKING GROUP IN THIS FIELD. THE RESPONSIBLE ORGANIZATIONS WILL BE THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION (USA) AND THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (USSR).

IN THE FIELD OF RAIL TRANSPORT

1. MODERN DESIGNS OF RAILROAD TRACKS, INCLUDING CONTINUOUS WELDED RAILS LAID ON CONCRETE STRUCTURES, AS WELL AS THE SYSTEM OF MECHANIZED MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF TRACKS.
2. THE SYSTEM OF TRANSPORTING PERISHABLE FOOD STUFFS IN SELF-CONTAINED REFRIGERATION CARS.
3. MODERN ELECTRIFIED RAILROADS, INCLUDING DESIGNING OF ELECTRIC MOTIVE POWER, CATENARY, AND POWER SUPPLY SUBSTATIONS.
4. RAILROAD RESEARCH ON MATTERS OF MUTUAL INTEREST.

THE ABOVE AREAS OF COOPERATION WILL BE SUPPLEMENTED IN THE FUTURE BY ADDITIONAL COOPERATIVE ACTIVITIES IN THE OTHER AREAS CONTEMPLATED BY THE AGREEMENT OF JUNE 19, 1973, INCLUDING, IN PARTICULAR, HIGH-SPEED RAILROAD PASSENGER TRAFFIC, ROLLING STOCK

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